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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Bolognesi et al.

Application No.: 08/487,355 Art Unit: 1813

Filed: June 7, 1995 Examiner: Stucker, J.

For: METHODS FOR INHIBITION OF Atty Docket No.: 7872-027

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PETITION TO AMEND INVENTORSHIP UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.48(b)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the inventorship of the above-identified application be amended under 37 C.F.R. § 1.48(b) to delete the names of DANI P. BOLOGNESI, THOMAS J. MATTHEWS, ALPHONSE J. LANGLOIS and CARL WILD as co-inventors (provision for the appropriate fee is provided herein). the contributions of Drs. Bolognesi, Matthews, Langlois and Wild were limited to subject matter claimed in claims that have been canceled and are not presently being prosecuted in the instant application. Thus, the inventorship should be amended to remove their names so that only the actual inventors of the claimed subject matter are named. Applicants have submitted herewith an Amendment requesting that upon grant of this Petition the amendment to inventorship be made.

Claims 1-8, 10-13 and 15 were canceled, without prejudice, in the Applicant's Request for Filing a Divisional Application, filed June 7, 1995. Claim 9 was canceled,

without prejudice, in Applicants' Amendment filed July 28, 1997. As a result of prosecution, Drs. Bolognesi, Matthews, Langlois and Wild contributed only to certain claims that are no longer pending in the above-identified application.

The need to remove Drs. Bolognesi, Matthews,
Langlois and Wild as named inventors was recognized during a
recent review of the application by attorneys for Applicants.
This review brought to light the inadvertent oversight of not
removing Drs. Bolognesi, Matthews, Langlois and Wild at the
time the July 28, 1997 Amendment was filed. As a result,
Applicants are now diligently amending the inventorship to
name only the inventors of the claimed subject matter.

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the names of DANI P. BOLOGNESI, THOMAS J. MATTHEWS, ALPHONSE J. LANGLOIS and CARL WILD be removed as co-inventors in the above-identified application.

A fee of \$130.00 is believed to be due pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(h) and 48(b)(2). Please charge the required fee to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150. A copy of this petition is enclosed.

Date September 24, 1997

Respectfully submitted,

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